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For: SYNERGISTIC L-METHADONE  
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE  
THEREOF

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**RESPONSE IN CONNECTION WITH NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Non Final Office Action mailed on October 15, 2009. A Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.132 by Dr. Charles Inturrisi is respectfully submitted herewith. Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment of such fees, to Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

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